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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

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For: Oral Pharmaceutical Preparation Comprising an  
Antiulcer Activity Compound, and Process for  
its Production

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

SIR:

In response to the Official Action of August 3, 2001 (Paper No. 9), please  
preliminarily amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

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*B1*  
Without prejudice amend claim 1 as follows:

1. An oral pharmaceutical preparation consisting essentially of:
  - a) an inert nucleus;
  - b) a soluble active layer or layer which disintegrates rapidly in water, made

from a single aqueous or hydroalcoholic solution-suspension which comprises: